them well" and to determine how many species there really are. Most of this a much larger amount of material is needed for study than is at present available.

Yours very truly

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My dear Mr. Johnston:

I hope you will pardon my long delay in replying to your letter in regard to Blue-eyed Grasses which was duly received with the accompanying specimens. These proved very perplexing and I had to put them aside until I had the opportunity of consulting the herbarium of the N.Y. Botanical Garden. This proved to be

I have so called are distinct
from those called bellum.
I think I once called a
similar plant for Mr. Parish
as S. Greenei but this was
an error, S. Greenei seems
to be confined to the northern
counties of the State, as S.
Eastwoodiae is confined to
the southern counties.

I am sorry not to be
able to do better for you
in naming these specimens,
but I presume the situation
in regard to these plants
in your State is such
that field experience is
necessary in order to know
not strong in California
material and gave me
little help. I enclose a
list of my determinations,
but it is plain to me that
too little is known at present
of the California species to
allow satisfactory determinations
in all cases. The number
that I have called hesperium
seem to be nearer to that
species, as I recall it
especially for 1857, but I
have not the type for
comparison nor any of my
original material. I would
be glad to know whether your
field experience leads you
to believe that the plants